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SUBJECT: NPT REVCON: COMMITTEE I, MAY 15

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1. SUMMARY: COMMITTEE I CONCLUDED GENERAL EXCHANGE

OF VIEWS DURING MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS ON MAY 15. HIGHLIGHT WAS STATEMENT BY THE NETHERLANDS CRITICIZING TWO PROTOCOLS SPONSORED BY NON-ALIGNED. END SUMMARY.

2. HIGHLIGHT OF COMMITTEE I SESSIONS ON MAY 15 WAS GENERALLY MODERATE AND CONSTRUCTIVE STATEMENT BY THE NETHERLANDS WHICH CONTAINED FIRST CRITICISM FROM A NON-SOVIET BLOC COUNTRY OF TWO PROTOCOLS SPONSORED BY NON-ALIGNED. DUTCH REP CRITICIZED PROTOCOLS ON FOUR GROUNDS: (A) OUTSIDERS SHOULD NOT INTERFERE IN COMPLICATED BILATERAL ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS; (B) THE SIGNIFICANCE OF VLADIVOSTOK ACCORD GOES BEYOND AGREED LEVELS, WHICH OBVIOUSLY WERE CAREFULLY WORKED OUT AND INVOLVED COMPLEX PROBLEMS; (C) NUCLEAR ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENTS SHOULD NOT BE TIED TO NUMBER OF NPT PARTIES; AND (D) CONSENSUS COULD NOT BE REACHED ON PROTOCOLS. DUTCH REP BACKED VLADIVOSTOK ACCORDS AS COMMENDABLE ACHIEVEMENT WHILE EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT MIRV CEILING WELL ABOVE PRESENT DEPLOYMENT LEVELS AND NOTING HIS DEL'S DISAPPOINTMENT WITH OVERALL PROGRESS MADE ON ARTICLE VI. HE SAID TTB REPRESENTED FIRST MOVEMENT ON TEST BAN ISSUE IN TEN YEARS AND WELCOMED OBLIGATION TO KEEP NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING TO A MINIMUM, BUT CRITICIZED LEVEL OF THRESHOLD ON GROUNDS IT HAD LITTLE RELATIONSHIP TO SEISMIC MONITORING CAPABILITIES. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR US STATEMENT ON SALT IN COMMITTEE I.

3. FINNISH REP SAID ACCORD UNDER ARTICLE VI WAS " NOT BAD". HE CALLED SALT AGREEMENTS MAJOR POLITICAL ACHIEVEMENT AND SIGNIFICANT STEP TOWARD REAL RESTRAINT ON NUCLEAR ARMS RACE.

4. CZECH AND POLISH REPS CONTINUED SOVIET BLOC ATTACK ON PROPOSED PROTOCOLS. USSR (ISRAELYAN) LATER MADE LENGTHY STATEMENT REITERATING AND ELABORATING ON MOST POINTS SOVIETS AND BLOC COUNTRIES HAVE PREVIOUSLY MADE ON COMMITTEE I ISSUES. HE CRITICIZED NON-ALIGNED PROTOCOLS, STRESSING UNDESIRABILITY OF TIMETABLE ASPECT. ON SECURITY ASSURANCES, HE SAID THAT, SINCE MACHINERY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SET UP UNDER SECURITY COUNCIL RES 255 WAS UNTRIED, IT WAS PREMATURE TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL MACHINERY.

5. EGYPTIAN REP, SAYING SALT AGREEMENTS FELL SHORT, OUTLINED FURTHER ARTICLE VI MEASURES NEEDED TO STRENGTHEN NPT, INCLUDING REDUCTION OF STRATEGIC WEAPONS, CTB AND PROHIBITION ON USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE SUPPORTED NUCLEAR FREE ZONES, CALLED FOR REVCONS

EVERY FIVE YEARS, OPPOSED AMENDMENT OF NPT, AND SAID EGYPT HAD NO VIEWS ON FORM FINAL REVCON DOCUMENTS SHOULD TAKE.

6. LIBERIA AND PHILIPPINE REPS SUPPORTED RESOLUTION ON FUTURE REVCONS INTRODUCED BY NON-ALIGNED DELS AND INDICATED WTHEY WOULD BECOME CO-SPONSORS. LIBERIA ALSO WILL CO-SPONSOR PROTOCOLS I AND II.

7. REPUBLIC OF KOREAS REP SAID THAT OBJECTIVE SHOULD BE TO PREVENT WARFARE AT CONVENTIONAL OR NUCLEAR LEVEL AND THAT NUCLEAR WEAPONS COULD HELP ACHIEVE THIS OBJECTIVE BY PROVIDING DETERRENT. ROK THEREFORE COULD NOT SUPPORT BLANKET REGATIVE ASSURANCES APPLIED INDISCRIMINATELY. HE WARNED THAT SUCH ASSURANCES INTERFERE WITH MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATIES AND INCREASE DANGERS OF WAR. HE THOUGHT NON-USE ASSURANCES COULD BE APPROPRIATE IN NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE CONTEXT, BUT HELD THAT REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS COULD ONLY BE ESTABLISHED WITH FULL SUPPORT OF REGIONAL PARTIES CONCERNED.

8. GARCIA ROBLES (MEXICO) SAID HE WAS PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE ON SPECIFICS OF PROPOSED PROTOCOLS AND WOULD BE WILLING TO CONSIDER CHANGING THEM TO STIPULATE THAT THEY WOULD ENTER INTO FORCE ONLY IF TWO OR THREE OF NEW PARTIES TO NPT WERE "NEAR-NUCLEAR" COUNTRIES. HE ALSO QUOTED ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING LATEST US NUCLEAR WEAPONS TEST IN NEVADA AND SAID TIMING WAS "NOT IN BEST OF TASTE." CHAIRMAN (CLARK, NIGERIA) ALSO CRITICIZED TEST AND INVITED COMMENTS ON IT. THERE WAS NO RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST. DALE

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